

The Wethersfield Historic District Commission held a Public Hearing on August 9, 2016 at the Wethersfield Town Hall, Town Manager's Conference Room – First Floor, 505 Silas Deane Highway, Wethersfield, Connecticut.

Members Present: Robert Garrey, Chairperson  
Douglas Ovian, Vice Chairperson  
Mark Raymond, Clerk  
Jennifer Wolf  
John Aforismo, Alternate

Members Absent: Chris Lyons  
Daniel Bucknam, Alternate  
Damien Cregeau, Alternate

Also Present: Kristin Stearley, Historic District Coordinator  
Linda Messina, Recording Secretary

Commissioner Garrey called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM, and read the opening comments. Commissioner Raymond read the Legal Notice as it appeared in the *Rare Reminder* on July 28, 2016.

**APPLICATION NO. 4524-16.** Emily Tracey seeks to replace the existing windows on the front of the unit with Okna Envirostar 800 Series Deluxe vinyl windows to match the existing light patterns in white with grids between the glass at 20 Towne House Lane.

Emily Tracey, 20 Towne House Lane, appeared before the Commission. A sample of the window was provided. Photos of other projects completed by her contractor were provided. She would like to replace the existing front and back windows with Okna Envirostar 800 Series Deluxe vinyl windows with grids between the glass in the color white. The picture window will be three separate units. She would like ½ screens. They will be replacing the sashes only so there will be no change to the trim.

Commissioner Garrey asked whether there was anyone wishing to speak in favor or in opposition to this application. There being no one, this portion of the hearing was declared closed.

**APPLICATION NO. 4525-16.** Marcus Anzidei seeks to install a 7'x7'x36" Vanto Vacanza series hot tub in the side yard on the north side of the property at 369 Hartford Avenue.

Marcus Anzidei, 369 Hartford Avenue, appeared before the Commission. Photos were submitted. They would like to install a hot tub in the back yard on the right side, facing the street. The yard is currently fenced with a 6' board fence.

Commissioner Garrey asked whether there was anyone wishing to speak in favor or in opposition to this application. There being no one, this portion of the hearing was declared closed.

**APPLICATION NO. 4526-16.** Charles Stewart seeks to demolish the existing 16'x16' deck on the rear of the property and to construct a 13'6"x20' screened porch in its place at 416 Hartford Avenue.

Applicant not present.

**APPLICATION NO. 4527-16.** Julie Costello seeks to install two (2) Harvey Majesty simulated divided light clad wood windows in the color black on the first floor of the north side of the house at 341 Main Street.

Julie Costello, 341 Main Street, appeared before the Commission. She would like to install two Harvey Majesty simulated divided light windows on the first floor of the north side of the house, which is the bathroom. They don't match the rest of the house. She was hoping to match the new windows to the upper windows. She will use a 9/9 or a 9/6 pattern. The exterior will be black aluminum. All of the storms will eventually be updated to black.

Commissioner Garrey asked whether there was anyone wishing to speak in favor or in opposition to this application. There being no one, this portion of the hearing was declared closed.

Upon motion by Commissioner Wolf, seconded by Commissioner Ovian, and a poll of the Commission, it was voted to close the public hearing on all applications except Application 4526-16, and to open the public meeting.

Aye: Garrey, Ovian, Raymond, Wolf, Aforismo

**APPLICATION NO. 4524-16.** Emily Tracey seeks to replace the existing windows on the front of the unit with Okna Envirostar 800 Series Deluxe vinyl windows to match the existing light patterns in white with grids between the glass at 20 Towne House Lane.

Upon motion by Commissioner Garrey seconded by Commissioner Wolf and a poll of the Commission, it was voted to APPROVE the application with the following stipulation:

1. The Certificate of Appropriateness has been expanded to include all the windows in the condominium.

### **Discussion**

Commissioner Garrey stated that it will be interesting to see this window on the bay window.

Commissioner Ovian stated that there are others in that complex where they have approved this window. The installation photos that she showed looked really nice. On his installations it looked like he did a good job at cutting the surround.

Aye: Garrey, Ovian, Raymond, Wolf, Aforismo

**APPLICATION NO. 4525-16.** Marcus Anzidei seeks to install a 7'x7'x36" Vanto Vacanza series hot tub in the side yard on the north side of the property at 369 Hartford Avenue.

Upon motion by Commissioner Ovian seconded by Commissioner Garrey and a poll of the Commission, it was voted to APPROVE the application with the following stipulation:

1. The hot tub shall remain screened with fencing of a similar material and height as the existing fencing as long as the hot tub is in place.

### **Discussion**

Commissioner Ovian stated that this has a minimal impact on the District.

Aye: Garrey, Ovian, Raymond, Wolf, Aforismo

**APPLICATION NO. 4527-16.** Julie Costello seeks to install two (2) Harvey Majesty simulated divided light clad wood windows in the color black on the first floor of the north side of the house at 341 Main Street.

Upon motion by Commissioner Ovian seconded by Commissioner Garrey and a poll of the Commission, it was voted to APPROVE the application as submitted.

### **Discussion**

Commissioner Ovian stated that the window in question is the highest end window from that manufacturer. The deployment of that window in a black color is probably the most successful. There is a trend toward black sashes. For this particular home, despite its visibility, it's a good mate to the existing windows that will be repaired.

Commissioner Garrey stated that now you are getting uniformity in light patterns.

Aye: Garrey, Ovian, Raymond, Wolf, Aforismo

**MINUTES OF JUNE 28, 2016**

Upon motion by Commissioner Raymond, seconded by Commissioner Ovian and a poll of the Commission, it was voted to APPROVE the minutes of the June 28, 2016 meeting as submitted.

Aye: Garrey, Ovian, Raymond

**MINUTES OF JULY 26, 2016**

Upon motion by Commissioner Garrey, seconded by Commissioner Ovian and a poll of the Commission, it was voted to APPROVE the minutes of the July 26, 2016 meeting as submitted.

Aye: Garrey, Ovian, Aforismo

Upon motion by Commissioner Wolf, seconded by Commissioner Ovian, and a poll of the Commission, it was voted to re-open the public hearing on Application #4526-16.

Aye: Garrey, Ovian, Raymond, Wolf, Aforismo

**APPLICATION NO. 4526-16.** Charles Stewart seeks to demolish the existing 16'x16' deck on the rear of the property and to construct a 13'6"x20' screened porch in its place at 416 Hartford Avenue.

Charles Stewart, 416 Hartford Avenue, appeared before the Commission. He would like to demolish the deck and construct a screened porch. Packets of information were distributed that included detailed plans and drawings. The screened porch will be moved 4' to the right and will be 4' larger than the existing deck. It will have a gable roof and cedar siding to match the house. There will be standard K style aluminum gutters. The rail material will be wood 2x2 balusters. The trim will be an Azek-like material. The deck extension will have a framed screened fiberglass door. The deck extension rails will be aluminum.

Commissioner Garrey asked whether there was anyone wishing to speak in favor or in opposition to this application. There being no one, this portion of the hearing was declared closed.

Upon motion by Commissioner Raymond, seconded by Commissioner Ovian, and a poll of the Commission, it was voted to close the public hearing on Application 4526-16, and to open the public meeting.

Aye: Garrey, Ovian, Raymond, Wolf, Aforismo

**APPLICATION NO. 4526-16.** Charles Stewart seeks to demolish the existing 16'x16' deck on the rear of the property and to construct a 13'6"x20' screened porch in its place at 416 Hartford Avenue.

Upon motion by Commissioner Ovian seconded by Commissioner Wolf and a poll of the Commission, it was voted to APPROVE the application as submitted.

**Discussion**

Commissioner Ovian stated that there is relatively low impact on the District from the road. There is more of an impact from the cove and an attractive result for a typical effort to have a screened in porch on the back of the house.

Commissioner Garrey stated that they are a nice feature to have on the rear of the house when you have visibility of the house from the water.

Aye: Garrey, Ovian, Raymond, Wolf, Aforismo

**OTHER BUSINESS**

**Public Comments on General Matters of the Historic District**

None.

**Report of the Historic District Coordinator**

None.

**Correspondence**

None.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Upon motion by Commissioner Wolf, seconded by Commissioner Ovian and a poll of the Commission, it was voted to ADJOURN the meeting at 8:05 PM.

Aye: Garrey, Ovian, Raymond, Wolf, Aforismo

Respectfully Submitted

TOWN OF WETHERSFIELD  
HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION

Mark Raymond  
- Clerk -